

GERMANS IN U. S. TO BE REGISTERED BEGINNING JAN. 2

Registration of Germans in the United States, under the President's alien enemy proclamation will begin about January 2.

Affidavits and forms to be filled out by the registered men are now in course of printing, and will soon be ready. Millions of them are needed. In answering questions on these affidavits and forms every German will be compelled to give an intimate picture of himself and his life history.

The information that must be set down will include the date and place of birth; the time of coming to this country; various addresses in this country with the place of present residence; occupations and activities during the entire time of residence; nativity and description of parents, and much other information, the nature of which will not be divulged until the regulations are ready for publication.

Thousands Under Suspicion.
In every suspicious case statements on affidavits and forms will not be accepted as conclusive. Thousands of reports from secret agents of the Government on German activities in this country will be used in a general checking up of such cases.

The Department of Justice already has a comprehensive record on a host of alien enemies whose activities have been followed since the early days of the war. Those same secret agents will check-up registrations that suggest the advisability of investigation where a comprehensive record is not already on file.

Though the proclamation of the President requiring the registration of all Germans in the United States is now a month old, officials of the Department of Justice consider that rapid progress has been made. There were many difficulties in the way. In the first place a registering force had to be found. It was either necessary to build up a new organization, or utilize existing ones. Use of the draft boards was suggested, but rejected on the ground that registration by the draft board might incite unrest and suspicion that the men registered were forced in the military service. There was no other Federal organization equipped to carry on the work. It has been determined to have the registration made by the police organization. In other words the work will be done by postmasters.

Problem An Intricate One.
Under the regulations contemplated by John Lord O'Brien, who is in charge of the work for the Attorney General, those subject to registration will be put under the burden of seeking the registrar. Final details of the regulations covering registration have not yet been completed by Mr. O'Brien. The problem, he stated today in an intricate one. The regulations must fit conditions found on the congested East Side in New York, as well as those in the most thinly settled township in Iowa. They must meet the situation in every section and quarter of the United States with a two-sided registering force.

Final determination has not been reached as to the punishment to be prescribed for failure to comply with the proclamation and the regulations. Registration of alien enemies in Canada took six months. Mr. O'Brien is confident that it will be accomplished in a much shorter time in the United States.

Sending out the registration forms and affidavits during the Christmas season might seriously embarrass the postal service of the country, which is already overburdened. Consequently they will not be distributed until after the holidays, when the department expects to be ready with a completed registration plan that is bombproof.

GIVE \$110,000 BONUS.
ELGIN, Ill. Dec. 20.—A bonus of \$110,000 has been distributed among 3,200 employees of the Elgin National Watch Company.

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LAST WEEK TO WIN PRIZES IN THE KUBIC KID SHOPPING CONTEST.

If you are not already among the winners, here is your last chance to win your prize from the twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) worth of toys that will be awarded to those submitting to the Kubic Kid Editors the best Kubic Kid rhymes or illustrations, or both, that tell of the adventures of shopping at any one or more of the stores advertising in the columns of THE WASHINGTON TIMES.

In order that this week's toys may be bought and obtainable by the prize winners on Monday, the day before Christmas, all rhymes and illustrations must be in the office by twelve o'clock (noon) Saturday, or bear a postmark dated not later than twelve o'clock (noon) Saturday, December 22.

BERBERICH'S GIVE CONSOLATION PRIZES TO EVERY CONTESTANT THAT MENTIONED THEIR FOOTWEAR.

Following is copy of a letter sent out by the House of Berberich to each non-prize winner who referred to Berberich's shoes in their rhyme or illustration, or both.

Dear Kubic Kid Contestant:

We learned with regret from The Washington Times that your Kubic Kid effort applied to one of our world famous brands of children's shoes failed to win one of the toy prizes donated by The Washington Times, or one of the special shoe prizes donated by this house.

In appreciation of your effort we have decided to give a consolation prize to each contestant who

mentioned our footwear, but failed to be recorded among the prizes awarded by the Kubic Kid Contest Editors.

Simply present this letter at our 813 Pennsylvania avenue store any day during business hours between now and Christmas, and you will receive one of the consolation prizes referred to.

Yours, very truly,

BERBERICH'S.

DRAFT BOARDS ARE SWAMPED AND MAY EXTEND TIME LIMIT

Failure of registrants to follow instructions of local draft boards is complicating the work so much that chairmen of the boards today declared it will be practically impossible for them to finish the work of sending out the questionnaires within the time specified by the War Department.

So many unlooked for complications have arisen during the first four days of the actual work that chairmen of the various boards are confident the time will have to be extended. If this is not done, they say, there will be numerous errors in the classifications. For instance, there will be many registrants credited to class one who are already serving in the army, and there will be still more placed in class one because they failed to turn in their changes of address.

"Many registrants seem almost awestricken with the enormity of the task of filling out a questionnaire," said the chairman of one of the boards. "There is nothing contained in the questionnaire that is not perfectly simple. If we had time, however, we would be glad to assist in every way in filling out the blanks. But we need the time for other things, and the many persons that come to us for aid hinder us seriously. Any lawyer in the city would be glad to answer any question in regard to the questionnaire that is bothering a registrant. We hope the registrants will go to their lawyers instead of coming to us."

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PLANS FOR NEXT DRAFT ARE BEING PERFECTED

Tentative plans for calling out the next contingent of the draft army were being perfected today by Secretary of War Baker and Provost Marshal General Crowder, following a conference last night.

Reclassification of all drafted men will be completed by February 1, it was stated, and the new contingent can be called out at any time after that date if room can be found for them in cantonments. The Secretary made it plain, however, that it had not been definitely determined just how many men will be next called out, or the exact date of the call.

60-YEAR MEN MAY ENLIST.

Veterans of sixty years old were given their chance today to shoulder a gun for Uncle Sam when recruiting officers were instructed to enlist men of that age in the United States guard, if they could pass the required physical examination. The guard is to do duty in protecting public utilities.

ENFORCING ALIEN ENEMY ACT PUZZLES CUSTODIAN

Alien Property Custodian A. Mitchell Palmer is wondering how he is to ferret out failure by any officer or an incorporated or unincorporated business to report holdings of American securities by alien enemies abroad.

The time limit for reporting all such holdings under the trading with the enemy act expires today. Failure to report is punishable by a fine of \$10,000, imprisonment for ten years, or both. Responsible officers of American institutions must report not only all holdings of record with them, but those of which they have knowledge or belief.

Mr. Palmer is giving much thought to evolving a practical method of detecting failure, particularly of reports on knowledge and belief. Expert investigators in the various branches of the Government will co-operate with Mr. Palmer's office in enforcing the law. Such co-operation has been pledged. Holdings of record can be traced by them, but failure of knowledge and belief reports in another matter.

13 SOLDIERS HURT WHEN W. B. & A. CARS ARE WRECKED

Thirteen Camp Meade soldiers were painfully injured early today near Baltimore Highlands when a Washington, Baltimore and Annapolis car crashed into the one in which they were returning to Camp Meade. Investigations were started this morning by the military authorities at the camp and by the officials of the W. B. & A. to determine the cause and fix the blame.

The injured men stated that the car in which they were riding had been halted near Baltimore Highlands and for some reason all the lights were out. They said no one was sent back as lookout for a car that was running several minutes behind them. All the injured were in the first car.

A special car brought the injured to Baltimore for emergency treatment.

The three most painfully hurt remained at the hospital. They are M. B. Squires, broken leg; John Bell, sprained back; Earl Fraber, lacerated head and back.

Those who received treatment, and were returned to Camp Meade on a special car were:

J. S. Koontz, Philadelphia, sprained back; John McGuire, Pittston, Pa., bruised foot; Daniel A. Coyle, Clarksville, Pa., bruised foot; Michael Hogan, Philadelphia, cut forehead and sprained shoulder; A. K. Wintergrass, Alden Station, Pa., abrasion of ear; Edward Casey, Philadelphia, lacerated cheek; Rodney J. Cornelia, Philadelphia, sprained shoulder; Louis J. Fury, Philadelphia, lacerated cheek; James Boles, Philadelphia, sprained shoulder, and J. F. Donahue, Northampton, Mass., lacerated cheek.

Yours, very truly,

BERBERICH'S.

TRUCK PILOT IN WAR MOTOR FLEET KILLED BY TRAIN

WARREN, Ohio, Dec. 20.—The motor truck fleet of thirty three-ton Packard trucks for the United States Government, now on a cross-country drive from Detroit to Newport News, has met with its first accident. Frank Papello, a driver of one of the trucks, has been killed here by an Erie passenger train that struck his car near this city.

Capt. Bennett Bronson, U. S. R., is in charge of the fleet, and with him are seventy-four enlisted men and several engineer officers. In many towns along the line of march the public schools are being dismissed, and children in many towns line the roadways waving flags. Receptions have been given the men in several towns. They are due in Pittsburgh today.

All the trucks carry streamers, saying, "Great Lakes to Berlin." "Don't back up until we get over there," and "Backards for Pershing."

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The petition was signed by 732 householders. It was referred to Congress.

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NEWFOUNDLAND GIVEN RANK OF DOMINION

BOSTON, Dec. 20.—Newfoundland, the last of the British overseas possessions, has been officially designated as a dominion by the British government, according to a report reaching here from St. John's. This honor was conferred as a reward for the gallantry of Newfoundland's overseas forces.

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